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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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DIRK KEMPTHORNE Governor KARL J DREHER Director

April 11, 2003

6 X Ranch, LLC c/o Blake Quinn P O. Box 12625 Fresno, CA 93778

Dear Mr Quinn:

The Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) visited your pump diversion with the Water District 34 Watermaster and Charles Wilkins on April 2, 2003. As we discussed with Mr. Wilkins, water users in Water District 34 have expressed concerns regarding the lack of measuring devices and adequate accounting for diversions located above Mackay Reservoir. The Department has received complaints regarding inadequate measurement of pump diversions from Warm Springs Creek and is evaluating the measurement procedures used at these facilities.

After reviewing your pump diversion system operations with Mr. Wilkins, the Department has determined that installation of a time clock, in conjunction with periodic flow measurements conducted by the Water District, will provide adequate measurement data. You will be required to install the time clock prior to diverting water this season. The time clock will be read by Water District staff

We also visited your ditch diversion from Navarre Creek with Mr Wilkins. Because the water rights diverted at Navarre Creek are exchange rights, which may also be diverted from Warm Springs Creek at the pump diversion, a measuring device will be required on the Navarre Creek diversion. We understand that Mr Wilkins will install a locking mechanism on the existing control structure and will install a weir in the ditch. The locking control structure, weir, and time clock referenced above must be installed prior to diversion of water this season.

We appreciate your cooperation in complying with the Department's order and the Water District's resolution requiring acceptable control works and measuring devices at these diversions. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Tim Luke at 208-327-7864 or Jennifer Berkey at 208-327-7871.

Sincerely,

CC:

Jennifer Berkey Water Distribution

Charles Wilkins, 6 X Ranch, 4905 Highway 93, Mackay, ID 83251

Bob Duke, Watermaster, Water District 34

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